1	2	3	4
16.	Tamil Nadu	65.54	111.57
17.	Uttar Pradesh	62.23	80.12
18.	West Bengal	43.5	19.02
19.	Arunachal Pradesh	6.32	—
20.	Assam	20.02	96.97
21.	Himachal Pradesh	25.32	43.04
22.	J&K	6.99	20
23.	Manipur	0.72	2.67
24.	Meghalaya	1.81	6.57
25.	Mizoram	1.06	3.78
26.	Nagaland	1.89	13.14
27.	Sikkim	6.38	17.2
28.	Tripura	5	2.67
29.	Uttaranchal	44.05	174.63
	TOTAL	978.15	1649.99

Setting up Rural Electrification (Supply) Technology Mission

176. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI :

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Power Ministry has joined hands with the Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources to set up the Rural Electrification (Supply) Technology Mission through the decentralized generation system;

(b) if so, whether the objective of the mission is to provide power to all villages by 2007 and to all households by 2012;

(c) if so, what are the other main objectives of this Mission;

(d) what progress is this regard has been made; and

(e) to what extent the villages have so far been covered under this plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) In order to ensure supply of power in rural areas by way of setting up small generating units (distributed generation) based on a variety of local fuels along with localized distribution, Ministry of Power has constituted Rural Electrification (Supply) Technology Mission (REST) under the chairmanship of Secretary (Power).

It comprises members from different Ministries including Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources and other organizations.

The main objectives of this Mission are :—

(i) to evolve a strategy based on technology which could provide for low cost power generation and low cost of delivery in the rural areas which can be managed by local institutions like Village Panchayats and NGOs;

(ii) identify feasible size of generating units for different fuels, which are locally available, and for mini and micro hydel projects;

(iii) suggest type of technologies to be adopted for setting up local distribution networks with or without connectivity to the Grid and to cover at least 25% of the villages in the country under the Mission, and

(iv) to access funds requirements for the next two Plans.

(d) REST Mission has identified biomass gasification, Solar Photo Voltaic Cells and generating sets based on locally available fuels as the feasibe technology for villages and household electrification.

(e) Under section (4) of the Electricity Act, 2003, National policy for distributed generation (Stand along System) including those based on renewable sources of energy and other non-conventional sources of energy is to be notified in consultation with the State Governments. Implementation under REST Mission depends on notification of the above policy.

Revival of D.RC.

177. SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

SHRI N.R. DASARI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to revive the Dabhol Power Company; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Since closure of the Dabhol